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Applicants:

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CONVERTIBLE FLASHLIGHT AND AREA LIGHT

WITH AN APERTURE SHUTTER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.121

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ATTENTION: EO/US

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed under 37 CFR § 1.121, PCT Article 28 and PCT Rule 52 upon entry into the U.S. National Phase under Chapter II in the above-identified International Application. This amendment is being filed together with the first filing under 35 USC §371 in the above-identified International Application.

Please amend the claims by canceling original claims 1-17 and replacing them with new claims 1-16. The filing fee calculation should be initiated after amending the claims. Attached are replacement pages 5 and 6 containing the new claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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